

The President announced the following committee—Senators Burney, Stell, and Brown.

Senator Selman offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That a Select Joint Committee be appointed, consisting of eight, from the Senate, and twelve from the House of Representatives, whose duty it shall be to take into consideration the re-organization of the Judicial Districts, throughout the State, as required by the late Convention, and to report, by bill or otherwise, as early as practicable.

Senator Burney moved to strike out the words “and twelve from the House of Representatives,” and insert the words, “to act with a like committee on part of the House.” Motion carried.

Senator Shelley moved to strike out “eight,” and insert “five.” Lost. Resolution, as amended, adopted.

The President announced the following committee under the resolution : Senators Selman, Chairman ; McDade, Parker, Shannon, Neyland, Guinn, of Angelina ; Blount, Cooley.

On motion of Senator Burney, Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SENATE CHAMBER, }
August 11, 1866. }

Senate met. Prayer by Chaplain. Roll called—quorum present. Journal of yesterday read and adopted.

The following additional standing committees were announced:

Committee on Internal Improvements—Senators, Gentry, Chairman ; Braswell, Foscue, Guinn of Angelina, and Knox.

Committee on Penitentiary—Senators, Randolph, Chairman ; Littleton and McDade.

Committee on Private Land Claims—Senators, Truitt, Chairman ; Boyd, and Lane.

Committee on Education—Senators, Foscue, Chairman ; Shelley and Brown.

Committee on Militia—Senators, Knox, Chairman ; Shannon and Littleton.

Committee on Public Lands—Senators, Selman, Chairman ; Burney and Cooley.

Committee on State Affairs—Senators, Stell, Chairman ; Neyland and Jowers.

Committee on Privileges and Elections—Senators, Dalrymple, Chairman; Cooley and Truitt.

Committee on Counties and County Boundaries—Senators, Coppedge, Chairman; Yarbrow and Brown.

Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries—Senators, Reed, Chairman; Nelson and McDade.

Committee on Claims and Accounts—Senators, Jowers, Chairman; Nelson and Guinn, of Angelina.

Committee on Federal Relations—Senators, Cook, Chairman; Shelley, and Guinn of Cherokee.

Committee on Public Buildings—Senators, Shelley, Chairman; Braswell and Yarbrow.

Committee on Public Debt—Senators, Burney, Chairman; Selman and Blount.

Committee on the Land Office—Senators, McDade, Chairman; Brown and Bumpass.

Committee on Indian Affairs—Senators, Shannon, Chairman; Cooley and Burney.

Committee on Stock and Stock Raising—Senators, Blount, Chairman; Nelson and Littleton.

Committee on Retrenchment and Reform—Senators, Boyd, Chairman; Selman and Yarbrow.

Committee on Agricultural Affairs—Senators, Brown, Chairman; Read and McDade.

Committee on Engrossed Bills—Senators, Neyland, Chairman; Selman and Randolph.

Committee on Enrolled Bills—Senators, Parker, Chairman; Lane and Record.

Committee to examine Comptroller's and Treasurer's Office—Senators, Lane, Chairman; Braswell and Yarbrow.

A message was received from the House, informing the Senate of its concurrence in appointing committee to wait upon the Governor and inform him of the organization of the Legislature—the committee being Messrs. Kyle, Gurley, Munson, Whitsett and Daniel.

Also, that the House had passed the following resolution :

Resolved, That the House of Representatives concur with the Senate in the appointment of a committee to reorganize the Judicial Districts, in conformity with the requirements of the amended Constitution, and that a committee of one member from each Judicial District be appointed, to act in conjunction with the committee from the Senate—

Mr. Munson, 1st District,

Mr. Hancock, 2d District,

Mr. Giddings, 3d District,
 Durand, 4th District,
 Blount, 5th District,
 Glasco, 6th District,
 Merriman, 7th District,
 Jones, of Titus, 8th District,
 Bonner, 9th District,
 Tate, 10th District.
 Garcia, 11th District,
 Lund, 12th District,
 Bradley, 13th District,
 Thurmond, 14th District,
 Trowell, 15th District,
 Dasheills, 16th District,
 Barmore, 17th District,
 Black, 18th District,
 Gurley, 19th District,
 Reeves, 20th District.

Senator Dalrymple presented petition from sundry citizens of the town of Georgetown, Williamson county, praying for a charter of incorporation for municipal purposes. Referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Senator Bumpass, Chairman of Committee on Printing, made the following report:

COMMITTEE ROOM, }
 August 10, 1866. }

To the Honorable President of the Senate:

Your committee, to whom was referred the resolutions instructing us to contract with the publishers of the Gazette and Intelligencer for ten copies each of the Tri-Weekly Gazette, and intelligencer, for each member of the Senate, and also to contract in this city for the publication of two thousand copies of the addresses of the Governor and Lieutenant Governor, make the following report:

They have contracted with both the publishers of the papers mentioned in the resolution, at ten cents per copy, which will be furnished to the Sergeant-at-Arms, commencing with the first numbers of said papers, next week; and that they have closed a contract for the publishing of the address alluded to, with the proprietor of the Gazette, at the legal rates—the same to be ready for the Senate by Monday, the 13th inst., at 3 o'clock, p. m.

Robert K. Smith, Albert H. Latimer and Andrew J. Coleman.

Respectfully submitted, J. K. BUMPASS, Chairman.

Senator Stell, Chairman of Joint Committee to wait upon the Governor, made verbal report—duty performed.

The Governor will communicate with the Legislature as soon as Federal authorities heard from.

Senator Guinn of Angelina offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

WHEREAS, The citizens of the State are greatly depressed by their indebtedness, and that it is necessary that some Legislation should be had for their relief :

Be it therefore resolved, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of passing some measure of relief, either by a conditional stay law, or an appraisal law; one or both, as they think best, and report by bill or otherwise.

Senator McDade offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the following additional standing committees be raised by the Senate, and that the President be requested to appoint the same immediately : Committee on Freedmen, and Committee on Manufacturing and Commerce.

Upon motion of Senator Guinn, of Cherokee, the rule was suspended, resolution taken up and adopted.

Senator Guinn of Cherokee, offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That the Judiciary Committee be instructed to inquire into the propriety of amending the statute upon the subject of the specific performance of contracts between employers and employees, so as to better insure and enforce the compliance of said contracts, and report, by bill or otherwise, at as early a day as practicable.

Senator Dalrymple offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Printing be authorized to contract for two thousand additional copies of the inaugural addresses of the Governor and Lieutenant Governor, for the use of the Senate.

Senator Saufley moved to lay on the table. The yeas and nays being called for, stood thus :

YEAS—Senators Blount, Boyd, Brown, Bumpass, Coppedge, Guinn of Cherokee, Littleton, Parker, Read, Saufley, Shannon and Yarbrow—12

NAYS—Senators Braswell, Burney, Cook, Cooley, Dalrymple, Guinn of Angelina, McDade, Nelson, Neyland, Randolph, Record, Shelley, Stell and Truitt—14.

Motion lost.

The question recurring on the adoption of the resolution of Senator Dalrymple, it was adopted.

The following additional standing committees, raised under the resolution of Senator McDade, were announced, viz :

Committee on Freedmen—Senators, Guinn of Angelina, Chairman; Neyland, Selman, Gentry and McDade.

Committee on Manufacturing and Commerce—Senators, Yarbrough, Chairman; Burney, Shelley, Saufley, Knox, Lane and Boyd.

Senator Guinn of Cherokee, offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate be authorized to employ two porters, to serve during the present session.

Senator Randolph introduced a bill to be entitled "An Act to punish the wrongful employment of laborers," which was read first and second times and referred to Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Senator Cook, the Senate adjourned until Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

SENATE CHAMBER, }
August 13, 1866. }

Senate met, pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll called—quorum present.

Journal of Saturday, 11th inst., read and adopted.

Upon motion of Senator Guinn, of Cherokee, Senators Truitt, and Guinn, of Angelina, were excused on account of indisposition.

Senator McDade presented petition of sundry citizens of Austin County, praying for charter to manufacture cotton and woolen fabrics; and asked its reference to Committee on Manufacturing and Commerce. Petition referred.

Senator Littleton presented petition of citizens of Karnes county, asking relief and legislation, because of burning of County Clerk's office, whereby records were destroyed. Referred to Judiciary Committee.

Senator Lane introduced a bill to incorporate the Hart's Creek Turnpike Company, in Titus county, and asked that it be referred to a select committee, composed of Senators Saufley, Braswell and Wilson. Bill read first and second time, and referred to select committee, as asked.

Senator Reed introduced a bill, authorizing guardians to take